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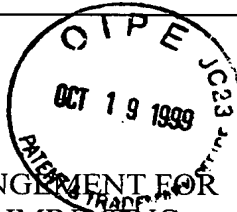
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SUBSTANTIALLY ELIMINATING  
UNCONFINED PLASMA IN A PLASMA  
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Sir:

In response to the objections raised by the Draftsman in an action dated April 14, 1999, and in response to the Notice of Allowance dated August 4, 1999, enclosed are the formal drawings for the referenced patent application. If the Draftsman has any questions concerning the corrected drawings, he or she is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned.

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